In re Goldstein Del. Supr., 85 A.2d 361 (1951)

Disciplinary Rules/Issues: Canon 6, Canon 9, Canon 38

Nature of Case:

Censor Committee found unprofessional conduct in that the respondent represented certain parties in their attempt to buy a house, and later sold a house to the same parties and benefitted personally from the transaction. Respondent filed motion to dismiss Committee's findings.

Action Taken by the Court:

The Committee's findings are confirmed. Violations by the respondent related to his representation of an interest adverse to that of his client, to his direct communication to one represented by another attorney, and to his acceptance of compensation or commissions from others without the knowledge and consent of his client. The conduct was traceable to ignorance of professional duties rather than to a purposeful intent to defraud. Restitution should be made, and a reprimand is imposed.